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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

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PARIS AND EUROPE.—LEON DE RONNY, 19, Rue Monsieur, Paris.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO AND AMERICAN PORTS generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAYLE & Co., Singapore. C. HEINZEN & Co., Manila.

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Banks.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTÉ DE PARIS. (Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNIZED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION of 30th April, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP.....£3,200,000. RESERVE FUND.....£300,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, RUE BERGERE, PARIS.

AGENCIES AND BRANCHES at: LONDON, BOURBON, SAN FRANCISCO, MARSEILLES, BOMBAY, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHOW, MELBOURNE, and SYDNEY.

LONDON BANKERS: THE BANK OF ENGLAND. THE UNION BANK OF LONDON. MESSRS. O. J. HAMBRO & SON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

E. SCHWEBLIN,
Agent, Hongkong.

Hongkong, April 12, 1881.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION. (Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3% per Annum.
" 6 " " 4% " "
" 12 " " 5% " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT,
Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND.....1,000,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—A. McIVER, Esq. Deputy Chairman—H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq. Hon. E. R. BREILLOS, Hon. F. B. JOHNSON, H. DE C. FORBES, Wm. REINERS, Esq. Esq. H. HOPPUS, Esq. W. S. YOUNG, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER. Thomas JACKSON, Esq. MANAGER. EWYN CAMERON, Esq. LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " " 4% " "
" 12 " " 5% " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, August 18, 1881.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Act of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1850.

CAPITAL.....£2,000,000.

THE Underwriters, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the sum at Current Rates, RENTS on First Class Godowns Reduced to 2% and premium per annum from this date.

GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, May 10, 1881.

To Let.

TO LET.

I HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED myself as MERCHANT and GENERAL COMMERCIAL AGENT, under the Style of HERBERT DENT & Co.

HERBERT F. DENT.
Canton, September 1, 1881. del

NOTICE.

MR. S. J. CRUTCH is authorized to sign our Firm for Prosecution.

REISS & Co.
Hongkong, 11th July, 1881. se18

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of their GOODS by Messrs KYNOCH & Co., of WITTON, near BIRMINGHAM.

MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, August 13, 1881. 13au82

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Messrs P. A. SEQUEIRA & Co., to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY, the 10th September, 1881, at 2.30 p.m., THE ENTIRE STOCK-IN-TRADE of their

MILLINERY & DRAPERY STORE, at No. 33, in Wellington Street, comprising—

HANDSOME LADIES' and CHILDREN'S HATS, FANCY SILK and FABRIC, VELVETINE, FRENCH BLACK and COLOURED MUSLIN, SWISS EMBROIDERY, GREENDAINE and CANTHIC, POMPONIERS and PRINTS, LADIES' and CHILDREN'S COATLES and CUFFS, HOISIEY, FRILLINGS and TRIMMINGS, BUTTONS, BERLINS, WOOL FLOWERS, SILK RIBBONS and SATIN, &c., &c., &c.

GENTLEMEN'S and BOYS' SUMMER- and FELT HATS, FRENCH CASHMERE in PIECES, HEAVY and LIGHT TWEEZ, SILK TIES and SCARVES, LINEN SHIRT FRONTS, UNDER-SHIRTS, HANDBERIEFS, COTTON SOCKS, &c., &c., &c.

HENDRIK'S PERFUMERY, in great variety. DRESSED DOLLS and MECHANICAL TOYS. POWDER and PUFFS, NAIL SCISSORS, PENCIL CASES, SILVERED WATCHES, &c., &c., &c.

SHOW CASES, COUNTERS, &c., &c., &c.

Also,

A SMALL ENGLISH BILLIARD TABLE, by STEVENS, completed.

CATALOGUES will be issued.

TERMS.—As customary.

ECIA DA SILVA & Co., Auctioneers.

Hongkong, September 5, 1881. se10

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

6,000 Enfield RIFLES. 900 Assorted RIFLES.

Apply to D. MUSSO & Co.

Hongkong, September 5, 1881. se5

FOR SALE.

A Good Selection of VEGETABLE and FLOWER SEEDS from SUTTON & Co., un-packed—Price £3 10/-—Apply to "X." CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

Hongkong, September 1, 1881. se8

FOR SALE.

A BOUT 2,000 lbs. MILLER & RICHARD'S Extra-hard Metal BOURGEOIS TYPE, No. 19, (somewhat worn but in fairly good condition).

Apply to OFFICE OF THIS PAPER.

Hongkong, July 22, 1881. se13

FOR SALE.

JOHN BAZLEY WHITE & BROTHERS' PORTLAND CEMENT.

Sole Agents for China.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, June 18, 1881. se13

FOR SALE.

J. & B. LAURENT FRERES' Best COGNAC....No. 1 Gold Cognac.

Do. Do. Do. No. 1 Silver Cognac.

ADET Seward & Cie's OLARETS.

CHATEAU BRANE MOUTON in Quarts

And, LAROSE in Pinte and Quartz.

Also, FLOWER & Sons Bottled ALE.

SPARKLING HOCK.

NIERSTEINER, RUEDEHEIMER, LEILEFRAUMLICH.

STEINWEIN.

Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, August 30, 1881.

FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts.....£16 per 1 doz. Case.

Pint.....£47 per 3 doz.

GIBB LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, February 2, 1880.

THE SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND.

CAPITAL £1,000,000 (One Million Sterling).

Unlimited Liability of Shareholders.

THE Undersigned having been appointed

Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept FIRE and MARINE RISKS at Current Rates, allowing usual Discounts.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, July 1, 1881.

Intimations.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in a STATEMENT of BUSINESS Contributed during the Half-Year ended 30th June, 1881, on or before September 30th, on which date the Accounts will be Closed.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. COOKE,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, August 30, 1881. se10

TO LET.

N O. 2, OLD BAILEY STREET.

And, No. 6, PEPPER HILL.

Also, No. 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, July 18, 1881. se18

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MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 13, 1881. 13au82

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For Sale.

MacEwen, Fricke & Co.
HAVE RECEIVED FOR SALE,
Ex French Mail Steamer
"Amazon."

Finest FRENCH BUTTER in Kilo Bottles.
Noilly Pratt's VERMOUTH.

Ex "Agamemnon."
Regulation LIFE BELTS.
Do. LIFE BUOYS.
FILTERS, assorted sizes.

BATH BRICKS, SHOE BLACKING.
HUBBOK's PAINTS AND OILS.

Ex S. S. "Ulysses."
Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in
5 and 10 catty Boxes.

BREAKFAST CONCOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

Ex "Highlander."
AT WHOLESALE PRICES.
200 kegs Fine American FURNISHING
NAILS, Nos. 3 to 12.

25 " American SPIKES, 4 inches to
7 inches.

50 barrels Prime American Mess PORK.
60 " Philadelphia Extra BEEF.

200 " Finest Strained ROSIN.

300 " CITY PITCH.

150 cases SPIRITS OF TURPENTINE.

100 barrels Dried APPLES.

500 cases FLORIDA WATER.

50 barrels AMERICAN TAR.

15 " LAMP BLACK.

50 cases AMERICAN CLOCKS.

COTTON DUCK, Canned BEEF, MUTTON,

OYSTERS, LOBSCHELS, CORN,

TOMATOES, Corned BEEF, Condensed

MILK, TOMATO CATSUP, HANDSPIKES,

OAKUM, ASH OARS, MAPLE, ASH,

and White Pine PLANKS.

Ex "Abbie Carter."

Florence COOKING STOVES,
STEAMERS and BRAILERS.

CORN BROOMS.

India Rubber KNEE BOOTS.

AGATE WARE, in every variety of Kitchen Utensils.

Charter Oak COOKING STOVES.

Spartan COOKING STOVES.

BOURBON WHISKY.

Ex Steamers via Suez Canal.

Douglas' OFFICE CHAIRS.

Messrs. GARDNER & Co.'s PERFORATED

VEENER.

HIGH REVOLVING OFFICE CHAIRS.

HIGH-BACK OFFICE CHAIRS.

ROCKING FOLDING CHAIRS.

DINING-ROOM CHAIRS.

LADIES' ROCKING CHAIRS.

The above can highly recommend for office and domestic use, being admirably adapted to this climate.

Ex "Gleniffer."

GEORGE & BLACKWELL'S AND OTHER

HOUSEHOLD STORES.

TYSSENEAU'S DESSERT FRUITS.

SAVOURY PATE.

GAME PATE.

PORK PATE.

OX PALATES.

HUNG (Haubro) BEEF.

HUNTER & PALMER'S BISCUITS.

FRUITS for Loco.

SHERBET.

COCAOTINA.

VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.

EFER'S COCOA.

ROBINSON'S GROATS.

GELATINE.

Russia OX-TONGUES.

French PLUMS.

PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

SARDINES.

Ham TONGUE and

Chicken SAUSAGE.

Breakfast BACON.

ASPARAGUS.

MACCABONI.

VERMICELLI.

SAUSAGES.

MEATS.

SOUPS, &c., &c.

COPYING PRESSES.

EX AMERICAN MAIL

Eastern and Californian CHEESE.

Bonbons CODFISH.

Prime HAMS and BACON.

Russian CAVIARE.

Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.

PEACH, and APPLE BUTTER.

Pickled OX-TONGUE.

Family OX-TONGUE.

Parson MACKEREL in 1/2 cans.

Beans Ideal SALADS.

Cutting's Dessert FRUITS in 2 1/2 lbs.

Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.

Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage

MEAT.

Stuffed PEPPERS.

Assorted PICKLES.

MINCEMEAT.

COMB HONEY in Original Frames.

Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted

MEATS.

Richardson & Robbin's Curried OYSTERS.

Lunch TONGUE.

Assorted American SYRUPS, for Sum-

mer Drinks.

McGarry's Sugar LEMONADE.

Clam CHOWDER.

Codfish BALLS.

Green TURTLE in 2 1/2 lbs.

Cracked WHEAT.

OATMEAL.

HOMINY.

CORNMEAL.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR.

RYE MEAL.

SPECIALLY SELECTED

CIGARS.

WINES, SPIRITS, BEER AND

AERATED WATERS.

SHIPCHANDLERY of every Description.

BIGGING and BAIL-MAKING promptly

executed.

Hongkong, August 11, 1881.

Insurances.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE-HONGKONG.

CAPITAL, FULLY SUBSCRIBED, \$1,000,000.

Board of Directors.

KOH MOON WAH, Esq., Chairman.

BAN HUP, Esq.

K. YIN KAI, Esq.

QUAN HOI CHUNE, Esq.

KWOK YIN KAI, Esq., Manager.

WOO LIN YUEN, Esq., Asst. & Secretary.

THE Company grants POLICIES on

MARINE RISKS to all parts of the

World, payable at any of its AGENTS.

Contributory Dividends are payable to

all Contributors of Business, whether they

are Shareholders or not.

WOO LIN YUEN, Esq., Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,

No. 2, Queen's Road West,

Hongkong, March 14, 1881.

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YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up), \$120,000.00

PERMANENT RESERVE, \$120,000.00

SPECIAL RESERVE FUND, \$288,936.17

TOTAL CAPITAL AND ACCUMULATIONS, 2nd

April, 1881, \$388,936.17

Directors.

F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.

W. M. BOYD, Esq.

W. M. MEYERINK, Esq.

F. D. HITCH, Esq.

HEAD OFFICE-SHANGHAI.

Messrs RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

London Branch:

Messrs BARING BROTHERS & Co.,

Bankers.

RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent.

68 and 69, Cornhill.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to all

parts of the World.

Subject to a Charge of 12% for Interest

on Shareholders' Capital, all the Profits of the

UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are an-

nually distributed among all Contributors of

Business in proportion to the Premiums

paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 20, 1881.

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CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED).

NOTICE.

POLICIES GRANTED at current rates

on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the

World. In accordance with the Com-

pany's Articles of Association, Two-thirds

of the Profits are distributed annually

to Contributors whether Shareholders or not,

in proportion to the net amount of Premiums

contributed by each, the remaining third

being carried to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH, Secretary.

Hongkong, April 6, 1881.

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THAMES AND MERSEY MARINE

INSURANCE COMPANY,

here. I find I can predict one's or 7 days off. The sign is a high barometer, say 10 higher than the average for the month. That means a northerly current overhead which we can't feel, and which will take say three days to get down outside Manila (i.e. East of Manila), where it will come to earth and begin swirling round against the S.W. wind there. Then the cyclone begins, and it may be 3, 4, or 5 days before it gets up here. If your Hongkong Meteorological Official could watch for such a sign, and send warnings where needed, it would save some shipwreck."

The German schooner *Wagrien*, which has been on the slip at Bolcher's Bay for inspection, was towed over to Kowloon this afternoon for repairs. The *Kate Taham*, Australian barque, and Messrs Butterfield and Swire's lighter have been put on the slip to-day. The S. S. *Emrys* has gone over to the Cosmopolitan Dock to-day. The P. & O. steamer *Malacca* has come out from the Kowloon Dock to-day, and the German barque *Ferdinand* has gone in. Altogether the docks are having a busy time of it and find their hands pretty full.

In reference to the complaints that reach us from Manila, as to the delay in publishing weather telegrams for twenty-four hours after their receipt here, we understand that the Secretary of the Union Insurance Society wrote to the local Government, and, having called attention to the fact that some steamers had gone to sea which would have been detained had the telegram been published earlier, asked that some arrangements might be made to issue the Manila warnings immediately upon their receipt. This has, we believe, been favourably received; and arrangements have now been made for the immediate issue of such telegrams. The message of this morning, as well as the previous one, were published without delay.

The following telegram was circulated this forenoon as having been received by H. E. the Governor from the authorities at Manila—

Manila, Sept. 6, 11 a.m., (Received 11 a.m.)

"Another typhoon is raging to the N.E. of Luzon, very near to the Coast; its direction seems to be N.N.W."

The readings of the barometer here to-day, with which we are favoured by Mr. Noble, have been as follows—

9 a.m. 29.934
1 p.m. 29.856
4 p.m. 29.806

This shows a greater fall than usual; but it must be borne in mind that we have the wind in the right quarter, that is from the South West, and all may rest contented that there is no typhoon in store for us during the next twenty-four hours at all events. If the weather changes and any premonitory signs are observable of the approach of typhoonish weather precautions will be taken by all concerned. Those who make the matter a special study are of opinion that the typhoon of whose existence we have telegraphic information will not come in this direction, but will likely make Amoy.

Mr. E. J. Durny, who from a book of criticisms we have had the pleasure of looking through, compiled from English, Australian, and American papers, is an organiser of a very high order of merit, is at present in our midst; and it will be a cause for much regret to all lovers or admirers of the works of the great masters if he should be allowed to depart without some opportunity being given to them of listening to an exhibition of his great ability. It would be an extremely wise step in the interests of music of the highest order if some steps could be taken to induce Mr. Durny to remain amongst us. A perusal of the press criticisms of his organ recitals, since as a pupil of Mr. Swaby's he made a name for himself at home, when only fourteen years of age, and of the concerts he has conducted, will satisfy the most strict critic of his ability, and the testimonials from the ruling authorities of the churches and colleges where he has officiated as organist and professor of music seem to show that he would be a highly desirable addition to our little community here. It is not often that such an opportunity comes in our way; and it is to be hoped that there is public spirit enough in the Colony to allow of advantage being taken of it.

We have already mentioned the loss of the *Flensburg*, Danish barque, Captain Lautrup. Messrs. Douglas Lappal's steamer, the *Alloy*, Capt. Lightwood, arrived yesterday from the Coast ports, bringing further news concerning her. The wreck occurred about 9 o'clock on the evening of the 27th ult. Saturday, last week, at Table Island, one of the Passes. Information of the occurrence was conveyed to Captain Lightwood on Monday morning, the 29th, and the *Alloy*, in company with the Chinese gunboat *Yen-yeu*, immediately repaired to the reported scene of the catastrophe. The barque was completely broken up, her rudder gone, the sides parted and the cargo being washed out of her by the sea. The Chinese and crew were all saved, and had also been sent to secure nearly all their effects. They were taken from the island where they had found refuge and arrived at Amoy by the Chinese gunboat, as will be seen from a paragraph in another column extracted from the *Amoy Gazette*.

The *Alloy* experienced the same typhoon as the *Flensburg* to port, but suffered very little damage from it. Capt. Lautrup wrote yesterday an extract to Captain Lightwood to the Chairman of the Chinese Board of Trade, expressing his thanks for the assistance they were

able to render him. The wreck of the *Flensburg* was sold by public auction, and went for "an old song."

A rifle shooting match is held annually in which all regiments of the British Army, out of India are entitled to compete. The idea was brought to a practical issue in 1874, since which time it has been a feature of considerable interest to the good shots in the Army. Each regiment competing pays an entrance fee of £5, and the money thus subscribed is divided into a first, second and third prize, the value of the prize obtained by the best team while substantial being little appreciated compared with the honour and glory the successful regiment secures. This year the whole of the arrangements are under the superintendence of Capt. F. MacKenzie Salmon, 21st Foot, Deputy Assistant Adjutant and Quarter Master General, to whom some time ago the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers forwarded their subscription money, receiving in return the approved official forms on which, it is one of the conditions of the competition, the scores must be taken on the ground. The officer who has charge of these papers has gone to Shanghai on leave, and forgot or neglected before leaving, to hand over the scoring sheets to somebody who was to be here at the time of firing. The result is that although a picked team of eight men of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers are to fire tomorrow, and send home their score on an unofficial form with a covering explanatory letter, there is almost a moral certainty that they will be disqualified. This is a pity, because a team carefully selected from the Twenty-Seventh should be able to render a good account of themselves.

The *Gleneas*, Capt. Gulland, which left here on the 25th, at 3 p.m. same day, arrived at Woosung 29th ult., and distinct typhoons, on her run up to Shanghai. The following is her report at the 27th ult. at 3 a.m. strong gale which increased to a typhoon; wind N.E. to N.W. Bar. 29.22. Sunday, 28th ult., for ten hours a severe typhoon; at 3 p.m. same day off Elliot Island let go one anchor with a 150 fathoms of chain, found her dragging, let go another number two with 45 fathoms, and still dragging. How up, both anchors at 6 a.m., still blowing a hurricane, wind on all quarters; Bar. 29.35. 29th ult., off Macao, hard squalls; Bar. 29.56. 8 a.m. howe to again and proceeded on our way, arriving at Woosung at 7.55 p.m.; crossing Woosung Bar at 3.30 p.m., arriving at Shanghai at 5 p.m.

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Intimations.

THE CHINA REVIEW.

The widely-expressed regret at the discontinuance of *Notes & Queries* on China and Japan, has induced the publishers of this journal to issue a publication similar in object and style, but slightly modified in certain details.

The China Review, or Notes and Queries on the Far East, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., should the papers published demand it, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at 40/- postage paid, per annum, payable by non-residents in Hongkong half-yearly in advance.

The publication includes papers original and selected from the Arts and Sciences, Ethnology, Philology, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Manners and Customs, Natural History, Religion, &c., &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelago and the "Far East" generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each number. Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Portuguese, are admissible. Endeavours are made to present a resume in each number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the Review department.

Notes and Replies are classified together as "Notes" (head references being given, when furnished, to previous Notes or Queries), as are also those queries which, though asking for information, furnish no unpublished details concerning the matter in hand. It is desirable to make the Queries proper as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The *China Review* for July and August, 1876, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the best paper on the advantages of Christianity for the development of a State. All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and enterprising Review. It is a sixty-page, bi-monthly, repository of what scholars are ascertaining about China. The lecture on Chinese Poetry in this volume is also worth the price of the Review. Address *China Review*, Hongkong.—Northern Christian Advocate (U.S.).

Traveller's Oriental Record contains the following notice of the *China Review*:—"The title is of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot in some respects a continuation of *Notes and Queries* on China and Japan, the extinction of which useful serial a year or two ago has been much regretted in Europe as well as in China. The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the *Calcutta Review*. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, and the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable, and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular service, the Chinese Customs corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are generally represented in the first number of the *Review* in papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Mr. Legge's *Shi King*, by the Rev. E. J. Kiel, to which the place of honour is deservedly given, an excellent summary is presented of the chronological problems and arguments involved in connexion with this important work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese post-stateman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-p'o, by Mr. E. O. Bain, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the *Review*, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the *China Review* may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

This paper is now issued every day. The subscription is fixed at Four Dollars per annum, delivered in Hongkong or Seven Dollars Fifty Cents including postage to Coast ports.

It is the first Chinese newspaper issued under purely native direction. The chief support of the paper is of course derived from the native community, amongst whom also are to be found the guarantors and securities necessary to place it on a business and legal footing.

The projectors basing their estimates upon the most reliable information from the various Ports in China and Japan, from Australia, California, Singapore, Penang, Salom, and other places frequented by the Chinese,—consider themselves justified in guaranteeing an ultimate circulation of between 3,000 and 4,000 copies. The advantages offered to advertisers are therefore unusually great, and the foreign community generally will find it to their interest to avail themselves of them.

The field open to a paper of this description—conducted by native Chinese progressive and anti-obstructive tone, in almost infinite variety, on the one hand commands the Chinese belief and interest while, on the other, it deserves every aid that can be given to it by foreigners. Like English journals it contains Editorials, with Local, Shipping, and Commercial News and Advertisements.

Subscription orders for either of the above may be sent to

GEO. MURRAY BAIN,
China Mail Office.

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(Revised July 1st, 1881.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, triple, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets or papers may be sent at Book Rates. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must anything whatever be inserted except bond side Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be sent, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

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The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, most foreign possessions in Asia, Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritius, all N. America, Mexico, Salvador, Brazil, Peru, Chile, Venezuela, The Argentine Republic, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guyana, Honduras, Panama, Luban, with all Dutch, French, Netherlands, Portuguese and Spanish Colonies.

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Newspapers, 2 cents each.
Books, Patterns and Comm. Papers, 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on redirected correspondence within the Postal Union.

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Hawaiian Kingdom:—
Letters, 10 cents.
Registration, None.
Newspapers, 2 cents.
Books & Patterns, 5 cents.

West Indies (Non Union), Bolivia
Costa Rica, Nicaragua.
Letters, 30 cents.
Registration, None.
Newspapers, 6 cents.
Books & Patterns, 5 cents.

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GENERAL TARIFF OF FARES FOR CHAIRS,
CHAIR BEARERS, AND BOATS,
IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

Chairs and Ordinary Pullaway Boats
Half hour, ... 10 cts. Hour, ... 20 cts.
Three hours, ... 50 cts. Six hours, ... 70cts.
Day (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

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Single Trip.

Four Coolies, ... \$1.00
Three Coolies, ... 85
Two Coolies, ... 70
Return (direct or by Pok-foo-lum).

Four Coolies, ... \$1.50
Three Coolies, ... 1.20
Two Coolies, ... 1.00

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Three Coolies, ... 85
Two Coolies, ... 70

The Return Fare embraces a trip of not more than three hours.

For every hour or part of an hour above three hours, each Coolie will be entitled to an additional payment of 5 cents.

Day Trip (Peak), ... 50 cts. each Coolie.
(12 hours) Gap, ... 50 cts. each Coolie.

Licensed Bearers (each).

Hour, ... 10 cents.
Half Day, ... 35 cents.
Day, ... 50 cents.

BOAT AND COOLIE HIRE.

BOATS.

1st Class Cargo Boat of 3 or 900
picks, per Day, ... \$3.00

1st Class Cargo Boat of 9 or 900
picks, per Day, ... 2.00

2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600
picks, per Day, ... 1.75

2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600
picks, per Load, ... 1.50

3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of 800
picks, per Day, ... 1.00

3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of 800
picks, per Load, ... 1.00

3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of 800
picks, Half Day, ... 50

Sampan, per Day, ... \$1.00

One Hour, ... 10

Half an Hour, ... 10

After 6 p.m., ... 10 cents extra.

Nothing in this Scale prevents private agree-
ments.

NET COOLIES.

Scale of Hire for Street Coolies.

One Day, ... 50 cents.

Two Days, ... 100 cents.

One Week, ... 150 cents.

Half Month, ... 200 cents.

Nothing in this Scale to affect private
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For English and Chinese.

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use
of Lesters and Gentlemen, can now
be had at this Office.—Price, 2/- each.

CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

Local Postage.

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1. Small Parcels may be sent by Post
at Book rates between any of the Post
Offices in China or Japan, as well as
to Macao, Faihoi, Singapore, Penang,
and Malacca. They must not exceed the
following dimensions, 2 feet long, 1 foot
broad, 1 foot deep, nor weigh more than
5 lbs. The parcels may be wholly closed
if they bear this special endorsement,
PARCEL, CONTAINING NO METAL, but any
metal may be opened by direction of
the Postmaster General.

2. The following cannot be transmitted:
Parcels insufficiently packed or protected,
or liable to be crushed (aandbox,
(eo) Glass, Liquids, Explosive substances,
Matches, Indigo, Dyestuffs, Ice, Meat,
Fish, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or whatever
is dangerous to the Mails, or likely to be
come offensive or injurious in transit.

3. Parcels are at a general rule for-
warded by Private Ship, not by Contract
Mail Packet. The Post Office reserves the
right of selecting the opportunity for trans-
mission, and of delaying delivery in case
the number of parcels is such as to retard
other correspondence. No responsibility
is accepted with regard to any parcel
which is lost.

4. The public are cautioned not to con-
found these facilities with a *Parcel Post*
to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

It is necessary that the following rules
be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be
registered or unregistered, can be received
for Postage if it contains gold or silver money,
jewels, precious articles, or anything that,
as a general rule, is liable to Customs
duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending
of Patterns of durable articles, unless the
quantity sent be so small as to make the
value of the parcel.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as
follows:—

Books and Papers—to British Offices, 5
lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 5 lbs. if with-
out intrinsic value; to the Continent,
&c., 8 oz.

Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Article.

The Post Office is not legally responsible
for the safe delivery of Registered corre-
spondence, but it is prepared to make good
the contents of such correspondence lost
while passing through the Post, to the extent
of \$10, in certain cases, provided:—

1. That the sender duly observed all the
conditions of Registration require.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed
in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the
Postmaster General of Hongkong im-
mediately the loss was discovered, the
envelope being invariably forwarded with
such application unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satis-
fied that the loss occurred whilst the corre-
spondence was in the custody of the British
Postal Administration in China, that it was
not caused by any fault on the part of the
sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck,
nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any
person not in the employment of the
Hongkong Post Office.

5. No compensation can be paid for mere
damage to fragile articles such as post-
watches, handsomely bound books, &c.,
which reach their destination, although in
a broken or deteriorated condition.

Money Order Regulations.

1.—Money Orders are exchanged with
the United Kingdom, New South Wales,
Queensland, South Australia and Port
Dawson, the Straits Settlements, Western
Australia, and (except at Shanghai) with
the Japanese Empire. Hongkong also
issues orders on Shanghai, and vice versa.

2.—Small sums may be remitted between
the other Ports by means of Postage
Stamps, subject to a charge of one per
cent. for cashing them.

3.—Many Money Orders are supplied to
residents in the smaller Ports in this way.
An application for an order* is filled up,
and enclosed with a stamped, directed,
and sealed envelope to the Postmaster at
the nearest issuing office. The application
must be accompanied with the full amount
(including commission) in cheque, postage
stamps, or other equivalent of cash, and a
little margin should be left for variations
of exchange. The Postmaster issues the
order, sends it on in the envelope, and
returns the change, if any, by first oppor-
tunity, with a receipt for the letter, if it
were to be registered, as it always should
be. Care should be taken to send these
applications in time, as the Money Order
Offices close some hours before the departs
of the mails.

4.—No order must exceed \$10, or \$50,
or include any fraction of a penny, nor will
more than two such orders be issued to the
same person, in favour of the same payee,
by the same mail. Orders will be drawn
at the current rate of the day and paid at
the rate of the day when the advice arrived.

The commission is as follows:—

Orders on the United Kingdom.

Up to \$22, 18 cents.

" " 22, 36 "

" " 22, 54 "